

WOLVERTON PLAINS

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wise and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hoppough at Orleans Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wise accompanied them as far as Belding and spent the day with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wise. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Godfrey were also guests at the Wise home.

Mrs. Homer Osgood and children of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Earl Simmons and children of Detroit are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wise called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Drake Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Schouley and

children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schooley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wise and son, Robert and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McLean called on Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wise one evening last week.

At Congregational Church.

Rev. Edward Humphrey of Douglas, Mich., will occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church next Sunday morning. Mr. Humphrey comes as a candidate for the pastorate and it is hoped there will be a large attendance of the membership and society. He will preach in the evening at the open air union service.

ASHLEY

Our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eggleston who were married Monday, July 1 at Big Rapids. Mrs. Eggleston's home was in Stanwood where she was known as Nora Thurston.

Mrs. Henry Gildemeister and children of Belding visited all day Friday with Mrs. Clyde Allechin, little Helen remaining over Sunday with them and returning home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Allechin and daughter, Blanche, Charles Davis and Burr Davis and family were guests at Clyde Allechin's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Longstreet, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood and children helped the mother Mrs. R. A. Longstreet celebrate her birthday Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pierson and baby, Charles Lale, of Rockford, came Saturday to visit his brother, Will Pierson and family for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Collins of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stawil and daughter, Roxie of Alto autored to Will Pierson's for a visit Sunday.

Misses Doris Hull, Loma Hull and Fern Cranmer called on Miss Helen Pierson Sunday and all went for an auto ride.

R. W. Hall and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Sunday.

The services Sunday were very nice. Thirteen plates were placed on our new service flag. The central star was a gold one in memory of Henry Anderson who was sunk on the Jacob F. Jones. The sermon next Sunday will be about Jonah and the whale and promises to be a good one. Eight new members admitted to our church last week.

The B. Y. P. U. are buying 20 new song books for the church. Please bring any you may have at home back to the church and bring your own book every Sunday. Louis Jenks is the next B. Y. P. U. leader.

Our annual Sunday school picnic will be held the last Thursday in this month, July 25, and say, we are going to have the best time ever so be sure and come.

Frank Rasmussen, H. S. Ellis and Clara Shotwell are on the sports committee so there will be something doing all the time. Louise and Rena Emmons with their boys and girls' club members will show us how to play volleyball and have some demonstrations of the work they have been doing this summer, community singing, etc. Remember the date, picnic dinner, Cranmer's lake. Red Cross will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Phil. Tutthill. All who have work out will please bring it that day.

Mrs. Elmer Jenks is on the sick list. Rena and Alice Emmons have mumps. Mrs. Al Gerardy is not so well and Mrs. Louie Jenks' mother broke her collarbone by falling from a hammock Friday but is getting along as well as could be expected.

Everyone had a delightful time at the ice cream social held at C. L. Beardslee's. The night was warm and there were no mosquitoes which added greatly to the occasion as did also the Pathe music. A big crowd was present.

Mrs. M. H. Lawrence has gone to Detroit to visit her sister, Madie. She expects to be gone three or four weeks.

Mrs. Arthur Hodges is visiting her mother at Lansing. Her brother Elbert who has been visiting her returned to his home with her.

Mrs. Lottie Spicer is visiting Mrs. Story in Lowell this week. The two oldest boys are staying with Mrs. McNaughton during her absence. Mr. and Mrs. Rob Wood took Sunday dinner with Frank and Guste Wood in Belding.

Visitors in honor of M. H. Lawrence's birthday Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lawrence, Mrs. Clint Green, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Green and son, Arthur Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beardslee, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Snyder and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wilson of Grand Rapids, Frank Wood, mother and daughter, Winnie and Miss DeHart.

Frank Rasmussen visited his aunt, Mrs. Rasmussen of Lakeview last Wednesday.

Laid Hoover of Sand Lake is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover.

Miss Lillian Judd of Ohio is a guest of Mrs. Frank Dewey this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Briggs of Chicago and Mr. Briggs of Oklahoma were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Stevens.

The Red Cross workers will meet with Mrs. Don Stevens Wednesday afternoon, July 24, instead of Thursday as that is the Ashley picnic day.

OTISCO ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Reeves and sons Harlan and George visited Sunday with their son, John Reeves and family of Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown spent Sunday at W. C. Fisk's.

Callers at Mrs. Emily Morse's Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Burr Davis and two children, Chas. Davis of near Muskegon, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Morse and friends from Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morse and Dorothy Fea of Blanchard spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sykes of Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sheldon and son, Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin of Easton spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kimberly.

E. J. Reeves and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Belding were Sunday evening callers of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hubbard.

Mrs. M. S. Boss and Mrs. Ben Boss and daughter, Helen, were Saturday afternoon callers of Mrs. L. C. Deventorf of East Otisco.

The blacksmith shop will be closed the first three days of August.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gephart and two children visited Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sykes' of Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Mehney visited their son, John Mehney in West Otisco Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam LaVere of Sarnac visited a part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Moon.

Mrs. Davis of West Otisco spent the latter part of the week with friends here.

Dorothy Reeves spent Wednesday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hubbard.

Dorothy Fea of Blanchard has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Morse the past week and left Tuesday to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Crane, of Greenville.

It's a pity a man can't get a pair of suspenders to hold up his reputation as well as his trousers.

ORLEANS

Miss Mayme Chambers of Ionia visited her aunt, Mrs. E. L. Towne and cousin, Mrs. Elva Anderson the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chub Olmsted and daughters visited the former's mother, Mrs. Wm. Olmsted and sister, Mrs. Will Bright from Friday until Monday.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tingley, mother and son are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Murray went to Greenville Saturday to help the former's sister, Mrs. Gray, with her farm work as her last son has been called in to service.

Chas. and Orla Cross and wives of Stanton, C. H. Cross and daughter, Mrs. Mae Pline of Rockford spent Sunday at D. C. Wilbur's.

Mrs. Will Van Loten of Entrican and Mrs. Sarah Howe of South Orleans visited Mrs. Electa Towne Sunday.

Mrs. G. C. Wilbur returned to her home in Keene Monday after caring for her father the past week. Mr. Wilbur is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Stanton of Belding were Sunday visitors of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sabine.

The Orleans L. T. L. met at the M. E. church Friday at 2:30. Meeting called to order by Supt. Mrs. Murry and meeting opened with singing, "Yield Not to Temptation."

A flower committee was appointed. Mrs. Murry will be absent a few weeks and Mrs. Edith Purdy was appointed to fill vacancy. We hope to see many of our W. C. T. U. ladies out to the next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hoppough visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hoppough in Ionia Sunday.

Orleans W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Ernest Woodruff Friday, July 26. After business meeting the following program will be given: Song by Union; devotional, Alice Woodruff; roll call; instrumental solo, Onah Musselman; paper, "Why am I loyal to my nation?" Edith Face; discussion led by Maria Young; duet, Minnie Birdsall, Onah Musselman; recitation, Ola Graff; song by Union.

Word was received stating that Carl Purdy has left Camp Custer for "somewhere."

Dr. Wilkinson and family visited Nashville friends Sunday.

Mrs. Harvey Towne of Ionia was a Sunday night guest of her aunt, Mrs. Thos. Hill and family and Monday she called on friends here.

Mrs. Josephine Morton of Detroit returned home Tuesday after spending a week with relatives here.

Irvin Hall had the misfortune to break his arm while working at his hay.

Erma Face and family of Orleans, Levi and Chas. Greenwood and families of Clinton county, Walter Knight and Arba Face and families of Belding were Sunday guests of the former's father, Alva Face and family, making a company of 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Van Sickle of Ionia and Will Van Sickle and Mrs. Royal Peake of Portland were Sunday callers of Mrs. Mary Wilbur.

The following program will be given at the next Orleans Farmers' club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Clements: Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," club; recitation, Mildred Clements; debate, "Resolved, that in winning success on farm methods count more than capital; gumpkin is worth more than inheritance," affirmative, Louis Hall; negative, Jerry Spaulding; music, Mrs. Minnie Clements, Mrs. Irene Palmer; recitation, Mrs. Maude Howe; reading, Mrs. C. D. Easerbrooks; music, Mesdames Clements and Palmer; current events, Clyde Beach; question box, Alex. Robertson; song, "America," club. All invited, Saturday evening, July 20.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Purdy, Mrs. Markhurst, Mrs. Frounfelder and Grandpa Bower of Greenville were Sunday callers at the York home.

Geo. Baden of Grand Rapids visited H. P. Youngs and wife a couple of days last week.

Mrs. Kennedy of California and friends from Keene called on Mrs. Robt. Howe and Mrs. Cynthia White Sunday.

Leon Rich and family of Belding spent last week with his brother, Vern Rich.

Fred White of Ionia spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mrs. Helen Freeland of Freeport came Friday for a visit with her brother, C. D. Easterbrooks and wife, Minnie E. Gates and son, Mark spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends near Fenwick.

R. S. Hawkins and wife of Muir were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoyt the fore part of last week.

Clark Hoppough and A. W. Somers and wives spent last Friday at Pine Island lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoyt entertained her cousin, Elmer Peabody and wife of Coopersville from Wednesday until Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spaulding were Sunday guests of Bruce Fales and wife of Lowell.

PARNELL

The right reverend bishop confirmed a class of children Sunday after high mass.

Eugene Sullivan was taken to St. Mary's hospital Saturday to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Mary Bresnahan spent a few days the past week with her parents.

Miss Marie Sullivan of Muskegon is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Frances Sullivan.

Mrs. John Bird and daughter, Mary spent Friday afternoon with their cousin, Mrs. P. Norton.

Clayton Ladner spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. James Donovan entertained the former's parents the past week.

Rev. Fr. McCormick is spending a few weeks with his brother, Ed. and family.

Mrs. Sarah O'Brien of Grand Rapids spent the week end with her sister, Gertrude.

The West Otisco Farmers' Club. The West Otisco Farmers' club met at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Green Thursday, July 11. Plates were laid for 94 and all reported a good time. Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Frank White, Aug. 1.

Some people manage to beat his Satanic majesty about the bush by lying with their mouths closed.

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Funnygraphs

Talk about the inconsistencies of life and the high cost of living, why, down to Grand Rapids, owing to the license on cats in vogue in that city, the feline population has dropped from more than 4000 in 1917 to less than 840—to be exact, just 834 at the present writing. Well, the seemingly inconsistent thing about the whole matter is that the price of hamburger steak has kept right on soaring all the time even though the material used in the manufacture was coming in more and more plentiful all the time.

An enquiring subscriber writes in and wants us to give the proper Websterian definition of the word "faith." Webster—now we don't mean our friend, Oscar Webster of the Herald Publishing Co., but Daniel Webster, the author of the dictionary, the most disconnected story book we have ever read or that has ever been run through a printing press, defines the word "faith," as "to trust." In pictures we have faith portrayed to us as a bedraggled, shipwrecked female clinging to the seawashed rock of ages, but for simple, honest, trusting and undefiled faith we hold forth the editor who pays postage on the paper for the delinquent subscriber. He's the champion.

Recently one of the manufacturing concerns of this city sent in a want advertisement. They wanted an assistant bookkeeper "about 20 years of age."

The office devil saw the marked proof hanging up on the copy hook and thinking that he knew more than the man who made the linotype, set up the corrections and in so doing he stuck in an extra 2, making it read "202 years of age." Notwithstanding this unusual requirement, the office force of the advertiser was kept busy opening something like 40 odd answers to the advertisement. One of them was shown to us as positive proof that it pays to advertise and it reads as follows:

"Gentlemen: Your ad. interests me. (It would interest anyone but a dead 'un). Knowing how delightful the work in a wholesale establishment is, the princely salaries, short hours and entrancing environment (I've known rich wholesalers to allow them selves to be pried out of as high as \$4.85 a week for an assistant bookkeeper, and then only require 18 hours' work at a stretch), I immediately set this application in motion.

"My name is Eben Hezekiah Hotfoot, and I am some chicken when it comes to adding 'figgers.' I was born in Lazytown, N. J., June 32, 1710, and father started in 'figgerin' the very first day as to how in darnation he was going to feed me and clothe me and bring me up to be a real honest-to-goodness assistant bookkeeper.

"I remember when DeSoto discovered the Mississippi, and the Boston tea party and I used to call General Washington, 'Gawge'.

"Although I am not just exactly 202 years of age, the fact that I am 10 days over that will not, I trust, keep me from the position. I'm sound as a dollar, eyesight perfect, eat three squares a day, and have chawed tobacco all my life.

"Gee, I'd give all the money in the world if you'd make me an assistant bookkeeper in your wholesale office. I'm rapid, alright, too, especially with a highball or two tucked under my belt, and when it comes to accuracy, old Buffalo Bill with the six-shooter was a mere child by comparison. I tell you that it ain't these young buccos that's making this world move. It's the assistant bookkeepers 202 years old, and Roosevelt, and big-hearted wholesalers and such that do-things.

"I had a chance to be a bank cashier but there is nothing doing for me if

I can get that assistant bookkeeping job. Me for 'figgers' any time. All I ask is that I be given a vacation on my 206th birthday and that if some crazy auto driver should happen to drive over me and kill me dead, that you will send word to my old mother, who is 906 years old, the 10th of this month.

"Don't write. Takes too gosh darned long. Wire me."

About the most useless occupation which we know of and which would or should come under the "work or fight" edict is that of the professional book agent, who fits from place to place like a hungry flea looking for a convenient place on a dog or a southerner to make a landing and drives to distraction the ambitious fellow who is too busy to realize that the open season on book agents lasts all the year around and instead of taking the family revolver and finishing off the pest, usually in despair signs up for three years and eleven months at \$3.98 per month for six volumes entitled, "History of the Cheesemaker's Art."

If the government ever makes these fellows fight and they organize a regiment of bookagents who would put forth one-half the effort and application on getting into Berlin as they do in getting past the "No Bookagents Allowed" signs and into the private offices of the head of the concern, the Kaiser would sure think that he had lost control of hell and that the devils had turned on him.

Well, that was sure some celebration we had here the Fourth.

What Ailed This Poor Fish?
Salt Lake City, Utah, July 8.—The curiosity of Henry James who applied

for enlistment in the U. S. Marine corps here, remained unsatisfied.

James was taken before Dr. G. J. Hildebrand, the examining physician and, after the usual physical examination, was told that he failed to meet the requirements.

"What's the matter with me?" queried the prospective Hun destroyer.

"You've got scoliosis, phthisis and synchitis," was the surgeon's reply.

The would-be Marine blushed to be told so frankly what prevented his becoming a Devil Dog and turned to go out when the doctor shot a few hot parting words after him.

"Not only that—you're troubled with slight astigmatism, otitis media and chronic furunculosis."

"Gosh," was all the lad could say as he fled in confusion.

NORTH EASTON

Miss Luella Clark of Benton Harbor was the guest of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hill of Ionia were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vance.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gott visited their brother, Clarence Smith, of Lansing.

Mrs. Levi Krick and granddaughter Miss Luella Clark of Benton Harbor were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Geo. Vance.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Holcomb of Grattan Thursday and Friday. Mrs. Bonnie Tower and daughter returned with him to can his cherries.

Mrs. Charity Powers is the guest Mrs. Dey Holcomb.

Lester Huyck visited friends in of Mrs. Abbie Parmer and daughter, Addie, from Friday until Monday.

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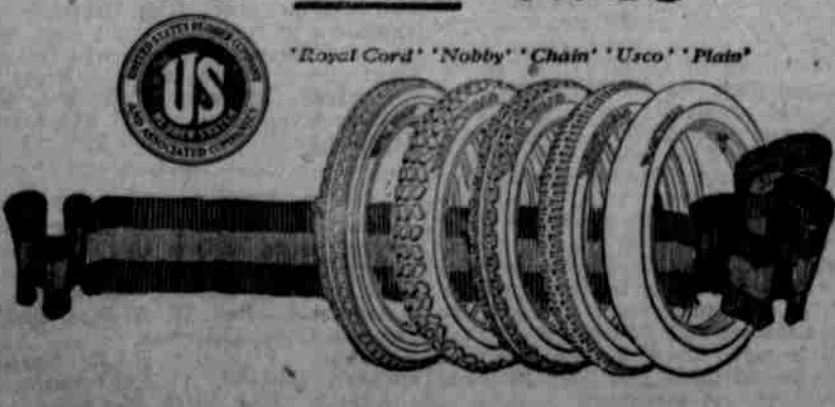
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